

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please cancel claims 1-11, and add new claims 12-14 as shown.

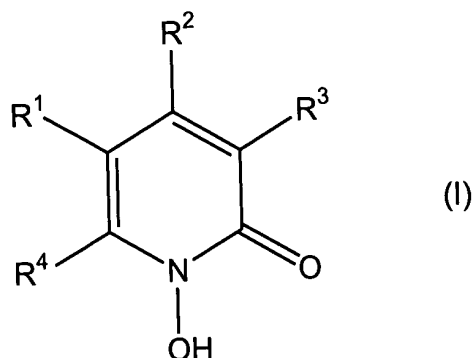
1-11. (Canceled).

12. (New) A method of treatment or prophylaxis of dermatomycoses comprising administering a composition in a pharmacologically effective amount to a patient in need thereof wherein the composition is a gel composition and comprises:

at least one hydrophilic gel-forming agent;

at least one spreading agent; and

an active component consisting essentially of at least one compound chosen from a compound of formula (I) and physiologically tolerable salts thereof:



wherein R¹, R², and R³, which are identical or different, are a hydrogen atom or alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, and R⁴ is a saturated hydrocarbon radical having 6 to 9 carbon atoms; and

wherein the composition is substantially free of any additional active components.

13. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the active component consists essentially of 1-hydroxy-4-methyl-6-cyclohexyl-2(1H)pyridone, at least one physiologically tolerable salt thereof, or a mixture of the foregoing.

14. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the active component consists essentially of 1-hydroxy-4-methyl-6-(2,4,4-trimethylpentyl)-2(1H)pyridone, at least one physiologically tolerable salt thereof, or a mixture of the foregoing.